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PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**IN RE APPLICATION OF: **SHU, YANG ET AL.**APPLICATION NO.: **10/604,380**FILED: **JULY 15, 2003**FOR: **A NON-PLOWING METHOD FOR
ESTABLISHING VEGETATION AND A
NUTRIENT MATRIX THEREOF**EXAMINER: **VICTOR D. BATSON**ART UNIT: **3671**CONF. NO: **1379****Information Disclosure Statement
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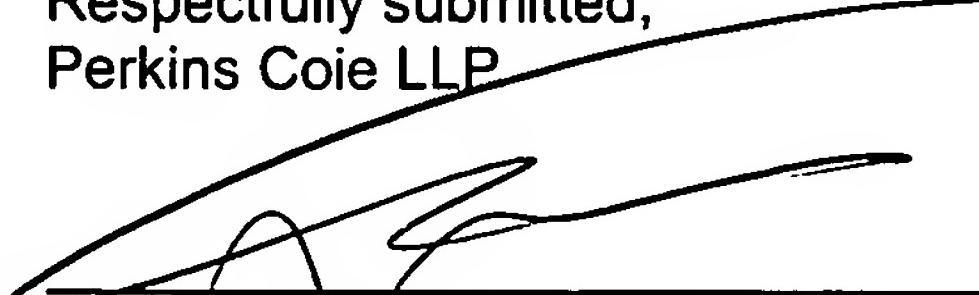
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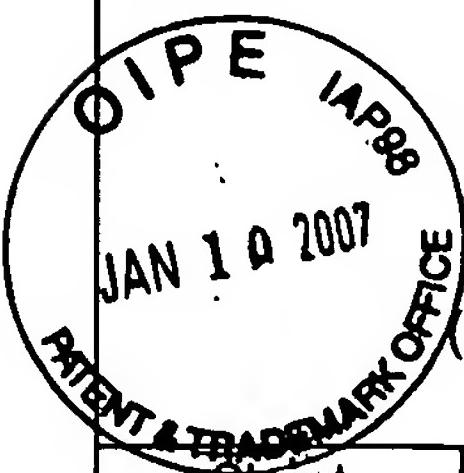


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